## THE LAND OF THE SAINTS.

An Interview With a Salt Lake Missionary of the Baptist Church.

DISSATISFIED PROPERTY OWNERS

What They Have Accomplished in Suing the City-Dr. Mercer Called Into Court -Ed. Leeder and the Marshalship-The North Western League.

Utah and the Mormons.

Dr. Dewitt, the well known eyangelist, is in Omaha, having come here a few days since from Salt Lake city. He has been stationed for two years at the Mormon capital as leader of the Baptist mission church in that city. He has had ample opportunity to study every phase of Mormon life, and in conversation with a reporter for the BEE last night, gave some interesting points on the subject of the polygamous religion.

"In my opinion," he said in answer to the reporter's leading query, "Mormonism can be crushed out—and it will be crushed out before many years. It has only been within the past year that the

only been within the past year that the United States government has made any practical effort to deal with the evil. A little band of federal officials stationed in the territory has conducted the warfare. And yet the results attained are not only appreciable to one who thoroughly understands the situation but they show conclusively that will a determined, persistent, continued effort, Mormonism, with all its train of attendant evils, can be abolished. Why, see what has already been done. The Mormon leaders are either in the penitentiary or under indictment, or else have fled from the country. They are parafled from the country. They are paralysed with fear. They begin to understand what the power of the United States government is, and that that power is being directed against the institution which has flourished for so many years in detiance of all moral and civil

laws."
"My observations of Mormonism have led me to the conclusion that it is but a rotten hulk, which can be crumbled to pieces by a few well-directed blows. The rank and file of the church are losing all allegiance to the principles of their religion. I fully believe that three-fourths of the Mormons are secretly willing to give up polygamy if they only dared

Why cannot they do it?" "Because they are held back by a power which to them, ignorant and untutored as they are—is something terri-ble—the power of the wealthy and influ-ential Mormons. The masses are in the employ of these wealthy Mormons, and are aware that if they abjured the religion of polygamy they would not only be deprived of all means of subsist-ence, but would be ostracised, hounded, persecuted by the men who are uppermost in the church government. Once let this fear be removed-let the masses be brought from under the influence which they so much dread—and the solution of the problem will be an easy matter. The rotten hulk will fall to pieces. The rigorous policy now being carried the government is the right one, pfor it is directed against the head men of he church-who have made the history of Mormonism in Utah a 'Reign of Ter

"Haven't the recent attempts of the church to defame the character of the federal officials had a reactionary effect ngainst Mormonism?"
"Yes, undoubtedly so.

tain better element of the Mor-mans are disgusted with the vile attempts that have been made to throw mud on the United States officers. I have been told, how many times I don't know, by my acquaintances in the church, that the policy of blackmail which the Mormon leaders inaugurated was reacting with terrible effect against their religion.

The life of a man who preaches ngainst Mormonism has been anything but a safe one," said Mr. Dewitt, in con-clusion. "The Mormon elders are a bloodthirsty lot. They will not stop at murder to accomplish any purpose which they may have in view. I preached against polygamy, both m and out of Salt Lake City, until I became an object of They have threatened my life repeatedly and once a plot was concocted to put me out of the way, which, however, fell

history of Dr. Dewitt's connection

with the mission at Salt Lake City is deeidedly interesting. About fifteen years ago there was pending in the courts of Ver-mont a suit against Estey, the Brattle boro organ manufacturer, brought an employe of his named Bur-ng. The suit was based on dette. The suit was based on a disagreement concerning a pat-ent tremolo attachment and involved an amount of \$205,000. When the suit an amount of \$205,000. When the suit was first commenced, Deacon Estey, who was a prominent man in religious affairs, told Dr. Dewitt that he intended if he won the case to establish a mission in Salt Lake City, and send him (Dr. Dewitt) to take charge of it for one year. The suit dragged wearily on from court to court. Burdette, who was without means to carry on the case, engaged with him a Brattleboro banker, named Waite, who was a bitter enemy of Estey's. Watte spent more than \$100,000 in trying Watte spent more than \$100,000 in trying to push Estey to the wall. Finally one day he fled, and it was discovered that he was a defaulter. Detectives were placed on his track, and he was traced to Omaha and here arrested, in 1882. He was taken back to Vermont, tried and sentenced to a term in the penitentiary. In the meantime, the suit having passed through all the courts, was finally deci-ded in the fall of 1883 in favor of Mr Estey. In the spring of 1884 Dr. Dewitt went to Sali Lake (lity.

KICKING PROPERTY OWNERS. What They Have and Have Not Accomplished-Interesting Figures.

At the next term of the district court there will be several infecesting suits against the city, brought by property owners to recover damages on account of the change of grade. There will be over 100 of these cases, and the total amount involved is \$200,000. City Attorney Connell is working up a defense on the quits, and is confident of a disposal of all

of them favorable to the city.

The last term of the district court did not prove a very profitable one for dissatisfied property owners. Out of all the different cases tried, the amount of damages awarded against the city was only \$7,500, the amount claimed being \$45,000. Early in the term the principle had been laid down by Judge Wakeley that in considering the ley that in considering damages to be awarded to any property owner on account of change of grade, the profits occuring on account that change of grade were be considered. This princ principle Was fixed in the trial of the somewhat celebrated Peabody case and governed the issue of all the subsequent cases of like nature. It will be considered in the trial of all change of grade cases in the future, and is likely to determine a result in

every case, which cannot but be favora-ble to the city. Desiring to learn the disposition of some of the more important cases against the city at the term just come to a close, a reporter questoned City Attorney Conneil about the matter to-day.

"About half of the time at the last term the district court was engaged in the trial of these cases against the city. The result of the term's work was far

from favorable to the property owners

who sought damages.
"One of the most important cases tried was that of Peabody vs. City of Omaha. wherein the plaintiff sought to obtain \$10,000 damages against the city on account of the change of grade of Leav-enworth street. The trial resulted in a disagreement, as it had at a previous

"In the case of A. J. Hanscom, Mrs. Cuming and Mrs. Pritchitt vs. the city, an action to enjoin the collection of special taxes for curbing and guttering Douglas street, a decree was rendered in favor of the city, requiring Mr. Hanscom to pay the entire tax with penalty and interest, and requiring the other defendants to pay the amount which would be due under the rule at present adopted by the city in levying such taxes.

the city in levying such taxes.

"The trial of the case of Kimball & Co.
vs. the city of Omaha, a suit brought to
recover damages to their ice house in the
sum of \$3,500, on account of the change of grade of Tenth street, resulted in a verifiet of \$750 for the plaintiff. E. L. Emery sued the city for damages

to his property on Farnam street for \$1,500, change of grade. He got \$305. At one time he made a settle-ment with a committee of the council for \$1,900. The settlement was set aside and in the courts Mr. Emery got a judgment

or the amo int named.

The claim of C. K. Turner, based on similar grounds to that of Mr. Emery resuited in a complete victory for the city. The jury returned a verdict in favor of the city to the effect that the benefits on account of the change of grade had been

greater than the damages.
"The case of Ezra Millard vs. the City of Omaka was brought to recover \$3,000 damages for land appropriated in the opening of Leavenworth street. Mr. Mil. lard got \$250 as the result of this suit, and simper amount in another exactly sim-

"The trial of the case of Fred Gotzmann vs. the City of Omaha, another Leavenworth street case, resulted in a versitet for the plaintiff for \$1,267, which included damages to dwelling from grading. Seven other similar cases were taken off the docket by settlement on a like basis, the total amount paid to these

property owners being \$5,000.

The suit of McGavock against the city was brought for damages by grading Ninth street. Mr. McGavock sued for \$2,000 and received but \$10, that being the amount originally awarded by the

appraisers.
"The result of last term's work have been highly satisfactory," concluded Mr. Connell. "I think this is largely due to the fact that the jury at that term was one of the ablest ever impannelled in this court. They were all clear-headed men, and made their awards according to sound busi-ness principles. On a whole, dissatisfied property owners have so far made very little by suing the city for change of grade damages.

# SUED FOR MALPRACTICE.

A Patient of Dr. Mercer's Wants \$10,000 Damages.

Willis E. Putnam, now employed as watchman at the Union Pacific shops, began suit in the district court yesterday against Dr. S. D. Mercer for \$10,000 damages by reason of unskillful treatment and malpraetice in amputating the plaintiff's arm. The petition in the case states that Putnam, while employed as a machinist in the shops, on May 18, 1882, had his left hand badly mangled in a planer. Dr. Mercer, as surgeon of the company, was called and attended the case, amputating the injured member at about the wrist joint. In doing so, the petition alleges, the doctor allowed the end of the alna bones to remain rough and jagged and dressed the wound carelessly and improperly. This necessitated a second amputation the following August, which was also unillfully performed. Again, several months later another amputation was necessary, and on account of manner which it was performed still a fourth amputa-tion was performed. Even after the fourth operation the arm still failed to heal, and in December, 1884, another physician was employed, who amputated the arm at the elbow. The wound then healed and the plaintiff recovered.

In demanding damages the plaintiff alleges that from the time of his injuries until the fifth amputation he suffered excruciating agony and pain, besides losing seven inches of his arm, which renders that member less useful than it would have been with simply the hand goneall of which was caused by gross care-lessness and unskillful treatment on the part of the attending surgeon. He therefore asks judgment for the amount

#### "IT'S ALL STUFF." Councilman Leeder Denies That He

Was to Succeed Cummings. "Say, do you know why Ed. Leeder

busted the solid eight?" whispered one of the knowing ones to a BEE reporter. 'You don't, ch? well, I'll tell you. The democratic crowd promised him the office if he would vote to fire Cummings." Further than this vague statement the informant could not be prevailed upon to go, and so failing of other expedients to reach the facts, the reporter determined to submit the matter to Mr. Leeder himself. One can readily imagine with what trepidation of spirit the newspaper man went about the execution of this resolve. Mr. L. has so freely and foreibly expressed himself upon the journals of the city, and the contempti-ble hired men who gather items for them,

or Mr. Shears, but he determined to try it at any risk. The councilman from the Fifth was in his place of business on Douglas street arranging things behind the bar.

that the reporter felt much like Daniel

on entering the lion's den. He would

rather have called upon Mrs. Fountain

"You are accused of voting against. Cummings because you had a promise of his job from the democrats," said the reporter biuntly. "Stuff," retorted Mr. Leeder, and al-

though the interviewer fixed to dodge, the great official did not go for a bottle. In fact, he was quite affable during the conversation. "You can put that yarn down as another lie. I have told once, and that in o council, why the 'solid eight' was broken. I don't want any more controversy on the subject. It's all stop thief with me, and honest gentle-pen with them, and I'll give you a pointer that I could open my mouth in a ash on that would make most of them dance. No, siree, I never had any under-standing that I should be sheriff if Cummings was bounced, nor anything else like that. Please start some of these malicious personeges to lying about some one cise, and give me a rest for a breathing spe! anyway."

## THE NORTHWESTERN LEAGUE. A New Baseball Schelue-A Six-Town

Circuit. Mr. Ted Sullivan, the baseball man, and for a long time a member of the famous St. Louis Browns, arrived in the city yesterday. His business here is to con fer with monied baseball enthusiasts xelative to the admission of Omaha into the new Northwestern league. It is proposed to form this league of six clubs, in Kansas City, St. Joseph, Omaha, Duluth, Minneapolis and St. Paul. The companies backing these clubs will be on the stock plan and will be organized on a

western league should not be successful," said Mr. Sullivan to a reporter for the Bre today. "It would have one great advantage over the Western league, organized last year, because the cities we propose to admit are in a line, and the distance between each one is not great-Last year the club had to travel long distances, and consequently lost money.
Then, again, these clubs will be supported by home enterprise, and a greater interest in them will be felt than would be were the money advanced by outside parties. Each one of these six towns is comparatively wealthy and can afford to support a good can afford to support a good club. In St. Paul, Minneapolis and Duluth, nines have already been organized. I see no reason why, if the scheme is sufficiently boomed, it can not be made a success."

It should be borne in mind that if this league is formed, it will be entirely dis-tinct from the one which is now being talked of, to include Lincoln, Hastings several of the Kansas cities, and St. Jo-seph. Mr. Sullivan thinks that this league can never be successful because most of clubs are located in small places, which are not to be considered good base ball towns. Local base-ball men agree with him in this, and are heartily in favor of seeing Omaha enter the Northwestern League

## HE FOUND HIS MONEY.

A Granger Who Found He Wasn't

Robbed-Police Court. Three railroad men were brought into court yesterday before Judge Stenberg, one of them as an accuser, the other two as defendants to answer to a charge of larceny. It seems that all three of themwere stopping at the City hotel Wednesday night, and one of then missed a large sum of money. On the recommendation of Mrs. Wirth he had his two companions arrested on suspicion of having stolen the money. When searched, however, at the jail, it was discovered that his money had slipped down into his pants' leg where it was securely resting. The complaint accordingly was dismissed, and the three men went on their

Addie Dixon, a little colored girl who had stolen \$10 from Fritz Harmon, was sentenced to twenty days in the county John Andrews, John Travis, and Frank

Johnson, drunk and disorderly, were discharged O. H. Smith, the pugilist, again ar rested on a charge of vagrancy, plead not guilty, and had his case continued for

Officer Martin Shields, if all testimony be true, made a very serious blunder in arresting Ed. Wilson, a clerk in Timme's grocery store on Thirteenth and Davenport streets. Wilson and his friends claim that he was perfectly sober, and that if any one was drunk it was Shields. This officer is the "blooming cop" who arrested Mr. Jos. Meinrath some time ago, and was so severely reprimanded for his blunder.

On trial yesterday afternoon it was proven that Wilson was entirely inno-Evidence was introduced showing that Officer Shields had used vile and profane language in the presence of ladies and had arrested Wilson simply because he had asked him to desist. Shields was suspended by Marshal Cummings last evening at roll call and ordered to take off his star until his case can be investigated by the council.

#### HE ROAMS THE PRAIRIES. The Stage Robber Still Uncaptured-

A Man-Target. "We have as yet no satisfactory reports concerning the money lost in the stage robbery near Dawes City," said Gen. Howard yesterday. "The military are still on the lookout for the robber, who is believed to be in the neighborhood of Chadron. Col. Wilson will remain out until the money is either recovered or another sum is received to disburse among the soldiers at Fort Robinson."
Col. Hall has gone to Fort Niobrara on an inspection tour, to return in a few

Col. Henry, inspector of rifle practice, has received instructions from Gen. Sheridan to do away with the old style square targets at the rifle competitions, and use in their place the new figure targets. These figure targets are so shaped as to represent the body of a man standing, kneeling and lying down. These are constructed of iron framing with canyas tightly drawn over them, the picture of a man being pasted over the canvas. oldiers shoot at these figures, and are thus given first class practice in "man killing." If the soldier hits the figure erects he scores three; if kneeling four, and if the figure is lying down, five. Col. Henry is of the opinion that this style of target is far superior to the old one.

## A SONG FESTIVAL...

Preparing for a Mass Chorus Concert of German Societies. The Germans of the city are preparing for one of the greatest festivals of song since the Saengerfest was held here some vears ago.

A meeting of representative members of the Maennerchor, Concordia, Turn Verein and Sweitzer Verein was held last night at Germania hall to take the preliminary steps in giving a grand concert comprising all the German singing societies. The project was rapturously received, and will enlist the entusiasm of all those concered. It is determined to give this concert at an early date either n the exposition building or the opera

This will unquestionably be the greatest musical treat of the season and a grand affair for all time in the city. concert, althought certainly a Scanger-fest of the highest type, will be for one

The following committee of arrangements was appointed: Messrs. G. E. Stratman, Adolph Meyer, E. G. Grube, Holfman, Schaeffer, Bauerk, Kroger and Stratman. The next meeting was fixed for the evening of the 21st inst.

## The Weather.

At dawn in the city yesterday the thermometer marked 250 and with the advance of the day the mercury rose to a stage of thaw. At about ten o'clock the clouds which hung heavily all morning began to drop light flakes and by noon a good snow fall had set in which is still in progress. West of here a light snow fell during the forenoon at points within two hundred miles. Following is some of the weather reports from west end stations Red Cloud, 28° above, wind south;

Holdrege, 18º above; light snow. Arapahoe, 11° above; wind southeast; McCook, 12° above; wind east; cloudy.

Benkelman, zero cloudy. Eckly, 10° above; northwest wind: Akron, 9° above; west wind; cloudy. Corona, 12º above; calm; cloudy. Denver, 12º above; calm; cloudy.

## Amusements. The Florences will be here on Friday

and Saturday even ings, and will furnish a rare treat to all lovers of the society comedy. In speaking of them the St. Louis Globe-Democrat says:

"The favorite Fiorences were enthusiastically greeted by a good house at the Grand last night, and in Our Governor strong, substantial basis.

"There is no reason why this Northest merit. The make an actress of you,"

says Pluto Perkins, after one of his little hatchet stories, to Miss Matilda Starr. 'You'il have to do it very soon,' she re-plies in a suggestive way never lost upon the audience. Yet, everybody knowing that she was an actress long ago, hopes that it may be many years before the stage loses Mr and Mrs. Florence and their comedies; for no one will ever be found to take their places, or out of common material make such a comedy as one wishes to see not once but many times To speak of "Our Governor" is but to repeat what has been said again and again. To speak of the acting of Mr. and Mrs. Florence is a many-told tale of praise for their admirable and thoroughly praise for their admirable and thoroughly pleasing work. To describe the magni-ticent costumes worn by Mrs. Florence might tax the credulity of the average man. Mrs. Florence never appeared more charming than last night, Mr. Flor-ence never acted the part of Perkins better, and some of his new "unconscious ness" are marvels. That sums it up."

#### THE MERCILESS CREDITOR. Mrs. Fountain Attached for the Petty

Sum of \$25.

A. M. Clark, a wall paper dealer, sued out an attachment in Justice Helsley's court yesterday against J. G. Fountain and wife for \$25. Action was alleged to be brought because defendants were attempting to dispose of their property and move out of reach with the intentention of detrauding their creditors. Constables Stein and Kyle started out to serve the summons and levy the attach-ment. They had gone but a block from the court when they caught wind of the rumor that the Fountain tribe was mi grating, and at that moment taking their

departure by train. They therefore hurried to the Union Pacific depot, and sure enough there was Mrs. Fountain in all the majesty of her many virtues and an the majesty of her many virtues and fifty-seven inch seal skin sacque, parading around the station. She seemed to be negotiating tickets and making arrangements for the transportation of her baggage. When she caught sight of the constables, as they allege, she began to take measures to shake them. She first placed her satchel behind the news stand and started on a trot through the several rooms to the depot until she very

eleverly succeeded. The constables went up to the house later in the day, and levied upon Mr. Fountain's horse. Once more has the good lady deferred her pilgrimage hence.

## The Lucky Ones,

The county commissioners were engaged yesterday selecting the names of sixty persons to be drawn for jurors for the February term of the district court. In case no grand jury is drawn only thirty of the persons selected will be drawn. The following are those on the

First Ward-Peter Trenton, John Mc-

Nabb, John Garvey, Charles Dougherty,
Michael Demosey, Jacob Frank, Michael
Robling, and Charles Hanley.
Second Ward—W. S. Blanchard, Julius Rodowskey, B. Kennerling, Michael
McCarthy, L. B. Wisby, Wenzel Nistle,
B. Lavett, Gus Hennmel, Patrick McGovern, Jacob Schlicht, Alex Black and Lawrence Duogan. rance Duggan.
Third ward—Roland W. Guetin, A. H.

Willis, J. W. Bunee and K. E. Livesey.
Fourth ward—Henry Pundt, Charles
Sesseman, B. Gordon, Samuel Richenberg, James G. Carpenter, Ed. Walsh
Daniel Kenniston and John Hawkinson. Fifth ward—Joseph O'Mahoney, Chas. Fanning, Wm. McQueney, Chas. Ken-drick, A. G. Humphrey, John Riley, Samuel Befl, Fred Kumph, Dennis Goughan. Sixth ward-E. L. Faulkner, Henry Riter, John Belick, Jesse Osterhaut,

James T. Hansen, Frank Kammer, Collins Jordon. Saratoga-Frank Patrick. Union—Lewis Thomas. Jefferson—F. Coronemeyer. Elkhorn-Homer Whitney. Florence-Peter O'Rourke. Platte Valley James Mitchell. Waterloo-L. L. Stevens. West Omaha-David Reed.

McArdle-Hiram Avery. Millard-John J. Allen. Chicago—Andrew Mochteman Douglas-Peter Crass and William Mo-

Will Visit England. Mr. William T. Cody, known to fame as "Buffalo Bill," while in the city a few days ago, said to a reporter for the BEE that he did not know whether his Wild West show would visit England during the year 1886. Since he has left here, he has decided to visit England. In speaking of the matter the Sporting Journal of Chicago says: "Such of our cousins as have read of the Hon. Mm. F. Cody (Buffalo Bill) know him to be the most noted scout on the North American continent, a man whose name was a terror to half a million bloodthirsty Indians. To them the information conveyed above will prove a source of much delight. They are to be afforded an opportunity to see the best known, the most daring and best liked individual among fifty odd millions of American people Mr. Evelyn Booth, a well-known English gentleman, now visiting Buffalo Bill, will associate himself with this organization, and it is safe to say it will celipse in grandeur and financial success the com-bined attractions America has sent across the Atlantic since steam was first introduced. Just imagine the "cockney" coun-tenance while gazing at Buffalo Bill and his fifty cowboys, headed by Buck Taylor, a herd of forty buffalo, elk, deer bears and wolves, and a combination of all the wild animals which inhabit the Rocky mountains, to say nothing of 100 wild Indians, selected from the most hostile tribes, including Sitting Bull, chief of the Sioux. Two of the largest steamers that ply the ocean will be engaged to transport this mammoth aggregation to

A Suggestion. EDITOR BEE-During the recent cold weather all who have been compelled to go to the court house have realized that apart from the cold they suffered from the cutting wind while climbing those

London, where it will open for one year,

after which it will visit all Europe.

long flights of stone steps, there was great danger to limb and even life, especially during the winter season. We also know that it is a severe tax on any person to make the ascent under a scorch ing sun sun, so that in winter or summer it will always be more or less of a dread to all, and extremely exhausting to the many weak persons compelled to go to that building.

All this can be easily avoided by the

construction of a tunnel from Farnam street to a point under the center of the court house, there to connect with an elevator that that that will land officers and visitors on any floor they desire to reach. This would in a very great measure remove the feeling of dissatisfaction that is so general at that building, being so far above the grade of the street. What say you, Mr. Editor? Do you advise the county commissioners to proceed

with this improvement? Another point: Have we no law requiring houses to be placarded in which there are cases of scarlet fever or dipli-theria? Other cities, even much smaller than Omaha, have such regulations in force, to the complete satisfaction of their citizens. W. N. McCandlish.

## The Pritchlard Affair. W. B. Peck & Co. deny in any way be

ing connected with the alleged fraudulent transactions of ex-cashier Pritchard of the Western Union. The following correspondence explains itself: Col. J. J. Dickey, Superintendent W. U.

THE TRUTH

+INVOICE+ Taken on Monday and Tuesday, January 4th and 5th, 1886, AT THE MISFIT

CLOTHING PARLORS, 1119 Farnam St., It was found that it would not pay to carry anything over IF A BUYER COULD BE FOUND, and through close inspection it was found that the recent arrivals excelled those of the past in QUALITY and WORK-MANSHIP, consigned at such prices from the LEADING MERCHANT TAILORS throughout the country, that any man can find it to his interest to inspect and invest iw one of those.

# OVERCOATS

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13 20	do	do		do	25 0
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16.70	do	do	5. 10	do	
18 00	do	do		do	85 0
20.80	do	do		do	40 0
25 00	do	do		do	50 00
28 00	do	do		do	60 00
30 00	do	do		do	65 00

Further developments showed after balancing the day-book of the past three months, netting a nice business, that Suit after Suit still awaited the person whom it would prove the size to wear it, there will be found a suit for you, AT YOUR OWN PRICE, in order to close down the stock. NO DISCOUNT, NO FORCED SALE, and as a greeting of the old saying, "what we don't see we don't credit." But when those pantaloons are seen, at prices they can be bought for, no question can arise as to this statement. THE PUDDING IS HOT, and the old saying, the test was in "Chewing the Bag." But now-a-days it is said to test it is to eat it. Every man is invited to eat pudding during the next twenty days at the

# Only Misfit Clothing Parlors

1119 FARNAM STREET.

count which Mr. Pritchard alleges is due him from me was guaranteed to him by Jno. M. Haven of Chicago, and that I had nothing to

do with payment of same?

Yours truly, W. B. Peck.

W. B. Peck, Esq., Dear Sir—The above is correct as far as it refers to December markets which Mr. Pritchard assured me had been paid to him by Mr. Hoon. I have always found you to be straightforward and honor-

able in your dealings with this company.

Very respectfully,

J. J. DICKEY, Supt. Mr. Pritchard will not be prosecuted by the Western Union. His deficiency will be provided for by either himself or his bondsmen

Death of Mrs. Schimonski. The sad news was received in the city yesterday of the death of Mrs. W. Y. Schimonski at her home near Bellevue Wednesday night. She feel down stairs, striking on her head, dying within a very few minutes, of injuries. Mrs. Schimonski was well known in the state, and had many friends in Omaha. She was of Ohio birth, but moved to Sarpy county thirty years ago, where she has since resided. She was in early days a teacher

in the Indian schools.

Mr. Schmonski, the bereaved husband, is of noble Polish birth, and is at present. as he has been for many years, a member of the civil engineering corps of the Burlington & Missouri. He will be accorded the heartiest sympathy of his large circle of friends in his sad bereavement.

Samuel Olsen's Death.

The death of Samuel Olsen, the saloon keeper on Ninth street between Jackson and Jones, occurred yesterday at 3 o'clock, after a short illness. The deceased was 40 years of age at the time of his death, and leaves a mourning family of a wife and three children. The funeral will occur at 20'clock Sunday afternoon from the undertaking establishment of Drexel & Maul. A special call has been issued by John Kuhn, R. R. S., and Frank Wagner, C. C., of Planet lodge, K. of P., instructing the members of that body to meet in their eastle hall to-night at 7:30 sharp to make arrangements to at-Anna McNabb Again.

Charles F. Reed last evening filed a complaint with Justice Helsley against Anna McNabb, charging her with obtaining money under false pretenses. Reed states that Anna, on December 16 last, pledged to him her piano for \$99, claiming that it was unencumbered. He has since discovered that there was a mortgage already on the instrument, and now proceeds to prosecute the woman for swind-

Personal Paragraphs. Dean Millspaugh returned yesterday,

ling him. The court issued a warrant for

Anna's arrest.

naving been snowbound for a week in He will be in his place at the cathedral Sunday. An entertainment was given

Wednesday night at the residence of Mrs. Parsons, No. 117 North Seventeenth The recitations of Misses Emma and Maud Parsons were highly merito-

Mrs. A. Jacobson, No. 1913 Farnam street, received a number of lady friends at an afternoon tea party yesterday. A afternoon passed most enjoyably.

Martin Cahn, the senior member of the firm of Cahn Bros. of this city, was mar-ried last night in Chicago. Messrs. Ju-hus Meyer, Simon Fisher, Sol Bergman and Simon Oberfelder were present at the nuptials.

From a letter recently received from

Will C. Bryan, the baseballist and sprinter, well known in Omaha, it is learned that his wife committed suicide. She had been sick for several weeks, and was enroute to the residence of her mother in Lar amie, Wyo., when she deliberately ended her existence by taking poison. Mr. Bry an has many friends in this city who wit be shocked to learn of the sad affair and will sympathize with him in his deep af-fliction. He will probably be here in a few weeks to take a place in the Thurston hose team, which will be or-

ganized very soon. Shannon Letter Bill File, Filing Cabinets and Cases. Schlicht's Standard Indexes.

219 12th street, opposite Neb. Nat'l Bank

Railway Notes and Personals. The Union Pacific was able vesterday to declare the blockade raised on the Stromsburg branch and the entire Nebraska division is wide open for busi

J. R. Buchanan, general passenger agent of the Sioux City is in the city. Little snow fell in the northwestern portion of the state, and the Black Hills extension of the Sioux City has been open all winter with the exception of one day during the heavy blockade.

Geo. Ross, assistant general freight agent of the C. B. & Q., is in the city.

A Team Through the Ice. A teamster named Westergard driving for an ice company, went into the river, wagon, horses and all, Wednesday afternoon. In front of the distillery the warm swill has rotted the ice, and when Wes-tergard's team stepped on the spot they went through like a tlash. The harness broke from the wagon, and by a miracle the horses were able to keep up until they could be pulled out.

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